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In re Appln. of: DOUGLAS C. MYERS ET AL.

Appln. No.: 10/766,384

Filed: January 28, 2004

For: DETACHABLE HALF SHAFT ASSEMBLY  
OF A VEHICLE WHEEL END

Attorney Docket No: 10541-1824 (V203-0076)

Examiner: Frantz F. Jules  
Art Unit: 3617

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Respectfully submitted,

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## REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit this paper comprising the following parts:

- I. Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2; and
- II. Remarks, beginning on page 6.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate of Facsimile under 37 C.F.R. §1.8; and a fee statement calculating any fee(s) presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to the deposit account of Applicants' assignee, Visteon Global Technologies, Inc., Deposit Account No. 06-1500.

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